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E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: ATTEMPTED SABOTAGE, NEW CHANCERY SITE, BUENOS AIRES

1. LOCAL CONTRACTOR ADVISED EMBASSY SECURITY PERSONNEL ON MARCH 5 THAT ON 2/26/76 AND 3/4/76 ATTEMPTS HAD BEEN MADE TO COMMIT SABOTAGE WITHIN THE STRUCTURE OF THE NEW CHANCERY. BOTH ATTEMPTS WERE ALLEGED TO HAVE INVOLVED TAMPARING WITH AN ACETYLENE WELDING UNIT WHICH WOULD HAVE RESULTED IN AN EXPLOSION. ALERTNESS OF OPERATOR IN CHECKING EQUIPMENT PRIOR TO EMPLOYMENT PRECLUDED AN INCIDENT FROM OCCURRING.
 2. INVESTIGATION BY SECURITY OFFICER ON MARCH 6 AND 8, 1976 (SITE PERSONNEL NOT AVAILABLE FOR INTERVIEW ON SUNDAY MARCH 7) REVEALED THAT ACETYLENE EQUIPMENT HAD BEEN SABOTAGED.
 3. SECURITY PROCEDURES AT CONSTRUCTION SITE ARE BEING TIGHTENED. ALL ACTION TAKEN THIS INVESTIGATION WILL BE REPORTED BY TELEGRAM.
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